

**Fresh Guidelines for out-of-turn Promotion in Delhi Police**

1858. SHRI C. RAMACHANDRAIAH: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether out of turn promotions given to police personnel in Delhi in recent years for exceptional services have given rise to various undesirable and avoidable controversies in and outside police cadres and affected the morale in police-force;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether Government have recently reviewed the matter and issued fresh guidelines in this regard; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI CHENNAMANENI VIDYA SAGAR RAO): (a) and (b) No, Sir. As per provisions of Rule 19(ii) of Delhi (Promotion and Confirmation) Rules, 1980, out-of-turn promotion to the next higher rank is awarded to non-gazetted officers of Delhi Police with the prior approval of the Lieutenant Governor, Delhi to encourage the outstanding sportsmen, marksmen and officers who have shown exceptional gallantry and devotion to duty. It has further been provided under the said Rule that out-of-turn promotions shall not exceed 5% of the vacancies likely to fall vacant in the given year in the relevant rank.

(c) No, Sir.

(d) Does not arise.

**Bhagalpur Victims**

1859. SHRI C. RAMACHANDRAIAH: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to newsitem captioned 'Twenty years on, Bhagalpur victims, still trudging along blind alley', published in The Hindustan Times' dated the 16th April, 2000;

(b) if so, whether Government have ascertained the factual position thereof and if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether in view of barbaric and inhuman treatment received by victims leading them to blindness and compelling them to wander from one place to another in search of work for living, Government propose to sanction a substantial amount in their favour on compassionate grounds;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI CHENNAMANENI VIDYA SAGAR RAO): (a) to (c) Information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

**Action against Traffic Personnels for committing irregularities of Delhi Traffic Police**

†1860. DR. A.K. PATEL: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of such traffic personnel against whom action for committing irregularities has been taken by P.R.G., Traffic Branch of Delhi Police during the past six months;

(b) whether said action is restricted upto the level of Inspector only or it covers the higher officers also; and

(c) if so, the number of officers above the grade of Inspector against whom the action, if any, has been taken in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI CHENNAMANENI VIDYA SAGAR RAO): (a) to (c) During the period from January, 2001 to June, 2001, Delhi Police initiated action against 67 Traffic Police personnel on the basis of the report given by the Public Grievances & Redressal Cell. None

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†Original notice of the Question was received in Hindi.